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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

COLUMBIA COLLEGE OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Columbia College is a private, four-year liberal arts and sciences institution located in the "heartland" of the United States in Columbia, Missouri. With a total population of more than 120,000, including students, Columbia offers the amenities of a large city while preserving the comforts of a smaller community. National magazines consistently rank Columbia as a top city in which to live based on excellent safety, high-quality health care, educational facilities, cultural opportunities and cost of living.



As an accredited institution, the college offers associate, bachelor's and master's degrees. Founded in 1851, the college currently is celebrating 150 years of rich history and tradition.

One of "America's Best Colleges"

Columbia College consistently earns a top-tier ranking in *U.S. News & World Report's* edition of "America's Best Colleges."

Our students come from all over the United States and more than 30 different countries and 6 different continents. Our international students each add diversity and global perspective to the atmosphere of the college. Many international students

chose Columbia College because of its small campus that provides personalized attention. A student/faculty ratio of 14:1 allows you the opportunity to work closely with faculty and make the most of your college experience. In addition, there are many resources and organizations, such as the International Club available on campus to complement your studies.

Columbia College offers an array of scholarships to international students, some of which cover 50 % or full tuition costs. For more information about scholarships, please visit:

www.ccis.edu/offices/financialaid/scholarshipfinder/InternationalStudents.asp

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MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon offers merit scholarships to all academically well-qualified **international undergraduate students**. The merit scholarship will be automatically renewed each year for a maximum total of 4 years as long as the student enrolls at the undergraduate level (these scholarships do not apply to ESL students) and maintains at least a 2.0 Grade Point Average (G.P.A). The amount of the scholarship will be determined upon receiving the student's grades from their most recent full-time enrollment at either a US or non-US educational institution.

Name of Scholarship	High School or College G.P.A. (American Scale)	Amount of Scholarship per Year	Total Scholarship over 4 Years
Honors	3.7 - 4.0	US\$ 9,000	US\$ 36,000
Presidential	3.5 - 3.69	US\$ 8,000	US\$ 32,000
Trustee	3.3 - 3.49	US\$ 7,000	US\$ 28,000
University	3.0 - 3.29	US\$ 6,000	US\$ 24,000

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NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Northern Kentucky University is a liberal arts university located 11 kilometers from downtown Cincinnati, Ohio, USA. The university was founded in 1968 and is a four year public university. NKU offers 67 bachelor degrees, 18 graduate degrees and an Intensive English program. All classes at the university are taught by full or part-time faculty with a 14:1 student to faculty ratio. Over 15,000 students, 351 of whom are international, attend Northern Kentucky University.

To learn more about the university I encourage you to visit <http://oiss.nku.edu>.

The website features a **live chat function as well as a virtual tour**. Northern Kentucky University also offers conditional admission to all undergraduate programs and some graduate programs through the Intensive English Program. To learn more about this option please visit <http://aelp.nku.edu/>.

NKU offers only competitive, **academic scholarships for international students** (no need-based). We have an international student scholarship for freshmen (\$3,000 for the year, renewable), and several other incoming student scholarships are available through the Financial Assistance Office. The international student scholarship has a rolling deadline and no additional application is required. NKU also has competitive, academic scholarships for continuing international students. Please see the Office of Financial Assistance website for more information on scholarship opportunities:

<http://financialaid.nku.edu/>

If you or your students have any questions about Northern Kentucky University please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to working with you in the future.

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INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, NEW YORK AND THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

International House, a residence and program center in New York, is pleased to announce that applications for the Women's International Leadership Program Scholarship are now being accepted.

International House is a vibrant community of 700 graduate students, interns and trainees from over 100 countries, including the United States, who attend more than 75 academic and professional institutions around New York City. The mission of International House is to enable its members to live and learn together in a diverse residential community that builds life-long qualities of leadership, respect and friendship. This mission is achieved by daily interaction among its residents through programs, facilities and residential life designed to foster diversity of thought and experience. For more than 80 years, the International House experience of international cultural exchange in a diverse community has transformed the lives of more than 65,000 people.

The Women's International Leadership (WIL) Program at International House, sponsored by Merrill Lynch, seeks to prepare a select group of women from diverse cultures and disciplines for the challenges they will face as future leaders. The WIL Program is intended to help each grantee gain a clearer vision of her own abilities and learn how to effectively lead others, particularly in cross-cultural environments. Designed as a practical training program to enhance graduate study, the WIL Program devotes special attention to such areas as public speaking, high-performing teams, identifying personal leadership styles, conflict management, and cross-cultural communication. In addition to the personal and professional skills acquired during the 9 month long program each grantee receives a \$2,000 scholarship which helps to cover some of the expenses of living at International House.

For additional information about the WIL Program, International House and the other scholarship opportunities offered by International House please visit the International House website. www.ihouse-nyc.org

GOOGLE LIME SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES



Access to knowledge is our thing. When it comes to higher education for promising scholars, we don't want anything to stand in the way.

That's why we're proud to partner with Lime. Google is committed to helping the innovators of the future make the most of their talents by providing scholarships and networking retreats for computer science students with disabilities. Recipients of the Google Lime Scholarship will receive a scholarship for the 2009-2010 academic year. Selected students will also be invited to attend the all-expenses-paid retreat at the Googleplex in Mountain View, CA, in 2010. Scholarships will be awarded based on the strength of candidates' academic background and demonstrated passion - \$10,000USD for those studying in the US (based on average tuition costs).



Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must be:

- A student entering their junior or senior year of undergraduate study or be enrolled in a graduate program in the 2009-2010 academic year at a university in the United States or Canada. In addition to US and Canada citizens, international students with disabilities studying at universities in the US or Canada are also encouraged to apply.
- Enrolled in a Computer Science or Computer Engineering program, or a closely related technical field as a full-time student for the 2009-2010 academic year
- A person with a disability (defined as someone who has, or considers themselves to have, a long-term, or recurring, issue that impacts one or more activities that others may consider a daily function); this definition also includes the perception among others that a disability exists

How to Apply

Candidates are asked to apply online via the Lime online application process, and provide the following:

Contact and education information

Current resume

Academic transcripts

Answers to essay questions

Two recommendation letters from a professor, adviser or supervisor

Visit www.google.com/jobs/scholarships for more details.

II. News you can use

2009 US COLLEGE TOURS - INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE

COLLEGE VISITS offers the college bound student a first-hand look at colleges and universities throughout the United States. Because of our experience in working with a multitude of higher education institutions, we are able to obtain meetings with admissions representatives, student led tours, and campus housing. This helps to take the hassle and worry away from the student and parents in organizing a family visit. COLLEGE VISITS tours cover all aspects of college life. We tour small, medium and large schools, rural and urban, and public and private schools. Our tours cover almost every region of the U.S., so if there is a particular school or region you are interested in, chances are COLLEGE VISITS goes there.

COLLEGE VISITS 2009 Tour Schedule

Middle Atlantic: June 7- 12

Georgetown University; George Washington University or American University; University of Pennsylvania, Drexel University, or Temple University; St. Joseph's University, Haverford College, or Bryn Mawr College; Swarthmore College or Villanova University; Princeton University or Rutgers University; Johns Hopkins University, Goucher College, or Loyola College; US Naval Academy or St. John's College; Catholic University or University of Maryland College Park

For a complete itinerary of the tour:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/6_07_09Tour.pdf

Southeast: June 14 - 19

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/6_14_09Tour.pdf

Northeast: June 20 - 27

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/6_20_09Tour.pdf

Washington / Oregon: June 21 - 26

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/6_21_09Tour.pdf

California: July 12 - 18

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/7_12_09Tour.pdf

Midwest: July 12 - 17

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/7_12_09_2Tour.pdf

Northeast: July 18 - 24 [Education Unlimited® Trip](#) (please contact 510-548-6612)

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/7_18_09Tour.pdf

Ohio: July 19 - 24

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/7_19_09Tour.pdf

Northeast: July 25 - 31

Itinerary:

www.college-visits.com/pdfTours/7_25_09Tour.pdf

For more information and to download the registration form, please visit: www.college-visits.com

GREEN REVOLUTION: GROWTH IN SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE EDUCATION AT US UNIVERSITIES

In recent years, a number of majors, minors and concentrations with names like sustainable food systems, organic agriculture, and agroecology have cropped up in colleges of agriculture nationwide. Not simply synonymous with "organic," but incorporating that aspect under its umbrella, sustainable agriculture programs are often interdisciplinary in nature.



Developed to varying degrees in response to rising student interest in all things green, a changing food industry, and diminishing enrollments in more traditional agricultural programs, "these programs are one of the latter indicators of things changing because they require acceptance by faculty and administrators," says Damian Parr, a doctoral candidate in agricultural and environmental education at the University of California at Davis.

What programs exist in this field?

The University of Maine, it's fair to say, was way ahead of the pack; the university launched a *bachelor of science degree in sustainable agriculture* in 1988. There, too, sustainable agriculture was seen as an antidote for declining enrollments.

Meanwhile, Montana State University's sustainable food and bioenergy systems undergraduate major is brand-new, having been approved by the Board of Regents in November. The B.S. degree is jointly run by the College of Agriculture and the College of Education, Health and Human Development, which houses nutrition, explains Mary Stein, the program coordinator. "I think this program does a nice job addressing not only the agricultural production aspect but also the implications for human health, for local economies, for farm viability, preservation of farmland. I think taking a systems approach to these problems is really a strength of this program."

In 2006, as part of a larger curricular effort to emphasize whole agricultural and food systems, Washington State University created a new *major in organic agriculture systems*. Undergraduate certificates are also available, and in 2008 the university launched a graduate certificate in sustainable agriculture, says Jessica Goldberger, an assistant professor in the Department of Community and Rural Sociology. In assessing the various programs, they've found that students "are very much enjoying the hands-on learning experiences," she says. "And I think you see that across the country, this demand for more out-of-the-classroom, practical learning experiences. Students are very much enjoying these kinds of classes, especially since a lot of the students that are attracted to sustainable and organic agricultural programs don't necessarily have agricultural backgrounds."

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